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AO 399 (01/09) Waiver of the Service of Summons

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the	
District of New Jersey	
Anthony Stokes Plaintiff v. John Stephens aka John Legend et al. Defendant WAIVER OF THE SER	Civil Action No. 2:11-cv-03849-SDW-MCA EVICE OF SUMMONS
To: Louis D. Tambaro (Name of the plaintiff's attorney or unrepresented plaintiff) I have received your request to waive service of a sur	mmons in this action along with a copy of the complaint,
two copies of this waiver form, and a prepaid means of return I, or the entity I represent, agree to save the expense	ning one signed copy of the form to you.
jurisdiction, and the venue of the action, but that I waive any	objections to the absence of a summons of of service. It file and serve an answer of a motion under Rule 12 within this request was sent (or 90 days if it was sent outside the
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SONY MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT	Sandra A. Crawshaw-Sparks
Printed name of party waiving service of summons	Printed name Proskauer Rose, LLP Eleven Times Square New York, NY 10036-8299
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Duty to Avoid Unnecessary Expenses of Serving a Summons	

Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure requires certain defendants to cooperate in saving unnecessary expenses of serving a summons and complaint. A defendant who is located in the United States and who falls to return a signed waiver of service requested by a plaintiff located in the United States will be required to pay the expenses of service, unless the defendant shows good cause for the failure

"Good cause" does not include a belief that the lawsuit is groundless, or that it has been brought in an improper venue, or that the court has no jurisdiction over this matter or over the defendant or the defendant's property.

If the waiver is signed and returned, you can still make these and all other defenses and objections, but you cannot object to the absence of a summons or of service.

If you waive service, then you must, within the time specified on the waiver form, serve an answer or a motion under Rule 12 on the plaintiff and file a copy with the court. By signing and returning the waiver form, you are allowed more time to respond than if a summons had been served.